THE CHIEF ATTRACTION

FOR THIS WEEK AND NEXT

No, I am not bragging when I say I am prepared to show the Finest, Fullest and Fanciest Stock of

Men's Boys' and Youths' Clothing, Men's and Boys' Underwear, Furnishing Goods of all Kinds, Shoes, Trunks and Valises ever brought to Abilene.

All I ask of you is to call and be convinced that what I say I mean. Below I quote a few prices:

Men's Overcoats.

Lined Cassime e Overcoat for	2.75
Long Ulster Overcoat for	3.50.
All-Wool Ulster Overcoat for	5.00.
All-Wool Ulster, with collar and cuffs,	7.50.
Very Fine Ulster, with Astrachan collar and cuffs, .	9.25.
Very Fine Melton Overcoat for	12,00.
Very Fine Black Worsted Overcoat	12.00.
Extra Fine Chinchilla Overcoat, with beaver collar	
and cuffs, for · · · · ·	15,00.

Boys' and Youths' Overcoats.

I have the Best, Finest and Cheapest line in Abilene. Come and be convinced and see PRICES.

Men's Suits.

	Men's Suits for						2.5	\$3.50.	
	Men's Suits for		• .	• 2				4.50.	
	Worsted Suits for					15.0		5.00.	
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HEADQUARTERS IN

\$1.75 will buy a nice suit. 2.50 will buy an extra fine suit. 3.50 will buy a suit which never was sold before for less than 6.00.

Gents' Furnishing Goods.

In this line it is an impossibility for me to mention all the bargains
I have. I will give a few prices below:
Woolen Socks per pair 12½c.
Cotton Socks, three pair for 25.
All-Wool Scarlet Undershirts for 40c.

All-Wool Scarlet Drawers for 40c. White Merino Shirts for 30c. White Merino Drawers for 30c. Silk-end Suspenders for 25c. All other goods in preportion.

Headquarters in Mufflers.

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Fine Mufflers for					25e.
Better ones for -			- 4	1.8	50c.
Fine Cashmere Muffl	ers for				75c.
Very best Cashmere		for	1.		\$1.00.

Don't delay this Great Opportunity, but come early, before all the bargains are sold.

5.00 will buy the very best suit.

The Palace Clothing Store, :-: Corner Broadway and Third Streets,

The Only Responsible Clothing House in Abilene.

SIMON ROTHSCHILD, Proprietor.

Have your prescriptions compounded at John M. Gleissner's Drug store, east side of Broadway, cor. 3d st. 39-1y

The Reflector.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1888.

Official Paper of County and City.

RECENT REFLECTIONS.

- He loved her wildly (so he said), He swore life had no charm without her; She pitied him and they were wed-And now he knows much more about her. He wishes now he had not laid
- For yesterday he sadly paid The bill for her new winter bonnet.

(He says) so blamed much stress upon it;

- were baptized Sunday afternoon near the ford on Mud creek. Warmer weather again is prom-
- ised. Variable winds and local rain or snow are also on the program.
- The WEEKLY REFLECTOR with its ten large pages and an immense advertising supplement beside, is again the prize-taker among the papers of Dickinson county. County Superintendent Ford has
- spent most of the week in the country visiting schools. His careful and able superintendency is keeping the county's schools up to a high standard. E. W. Wellington has let the con-
- tracts for an extensive remodeling of the Brady block. Several thousand dollars will be expended, making it one of the finest buildings in Kansas.
- There are numbers of farmers in the city every day. Now is the farmers' holiday, "when frost is on the punkin' and the fodder's in the shock." In two months the plow will be busily turning the furrows for the spring
- course this winter? It should have. wear. And then there was the gentle-First-class lecturers like Talmage, Burdette, Nye and Riley, Cable, etc. never fail to draw large audiences here, and some society should take hold of kerchiefs, all simply beautiful. We
- family will be pleased to know that the it has ever been our pleasure to see. sick members are all convalescent. The new "Sewanee" collar just re-Mr. Wetzel and Willie were observed ceived is one of the beauties on sale as on the street a day or two ago and the also the line of gents' genuine London daughter Edna is able to sit up. We dyed seal caps. They are being sold
- George Etherington and John H. Ammon. The ceremony will take place in the Methodist church at 7:30 p. m. after which a reception will be held in the Burris house. The Reflectors certainly deserves credit; for earrying the Grand Pacific Hotal, at the goods.

A Plucky Girl.

Yesterday about five o'clock, as Miss Gertie Kirby was driving about the city her horse became frightened and ran away with her. The courageous girl clung to the reins and kept the animal in the street while it raced around several blocks and finally turned east and ran out into the East Abilene addition where it was stopped. Miss Gertie is not very large, but her handling of the runaway horse showed that she has an abundance of pluck, presence of mind and good sense.

Proceedings of County Commissioners

The board of county commissioners closed their last session of the year last evening. But little was done at Several River Brethren converts the session. The following were the

G. R. Lamb, trustee of Center township, was ordered to bave the river

P. F. Whitehair, trustee of Noble. township, was also ordered to have the bridge at Chapman repaired.

The board thoroughly inspected the heating apparatus put in the jail and sheriff's residence by J. Hill & Son and accepted the same.

The commissioners then visited the new bridge lately erected over Chapman creek near Thomas S. Wilson's, in Sherman township, and after inspection, accepted the same.

The board then adjourned.

Beautiful Novelties.

Our reporter stepped into the store of G. C. Sterl & Co, this morning and there saw some of the most beautiful holiday goods ever displayed here. Mr. Sterl showed us some new satin suspenders which he says are now called for by the ladies to embroider on for Christmas presents. He also

showed us the Ormonde adjustable IS Abilene to have a lecture puff scarfs, something new for evening men's regulation dress kid gloves, the gentlemen's regulation dress scarfs, and the line of silk mufflers and hand-

visit this store and buy a beautiful useful Christmas present. We can advise our lady friends particularly to George Etherington and John H. Ammon. The ceremony will take place in the Methodist church at 7:30 p. m

ROADS REBUKED.

The Investigation By Cooley and Morrison at Chicago Shows Extensive

Violations of the Inter-State Commerce Law-Cooley Threatens Dire Penalties For Scalping.

The Passenger Agents Hold a Meeting and Take Steps to Remedy the Abuses Complained Of.

vealed such an amount of crookedness on the part of railroad companies as the one Cooley and Commissioner Morrison of the methods pursued by the railroads in transacting their passenger traffic. The evi- astrous to the roads engaged in them dence already obtained is sufficient to concity of a willful violation of the law, not only as regards the long and short haul clause, but also as to discrimination between passengers. The charges heretofore made of the roads had been done through scalpers for the express purpose of avoiding another reduction and to keep up the rates between local points were fully substanable to give a plausible reason for selling to scalpers at a much lower rate than they sold at their own offices nor tell why they persisted in paying enormous commissions for the sale of tickets to scalpers, hotel runners, hack drivers and others who could command any business. Their only

their competitors were doing it.

The Commission has now come to the conclusion that heroic measures are required to bring the railroads to a realization of the fact that they can no longer violate the law with impunity. The practice of doing their through business through scalpers, who admitted that their business was carried on in violation of the law, will have to be stopped and the method of paying commissions for the sale of tickets either to scalpers or coupon ticket agents either to scalpers or coupon ticket agents The Burlington was the only road not rep-will also have to come to an end, as it is resented. It was decided to give ten intimated that the Commissioners will render a decision that these practices are rates. contrary to the letter and spirit of the law, and whatever rates are made over any road by scalpers or other parties must be made at the regular ticket offices of those roads and intermediate rates must be made to correspond with the through rates, whether by the scalpers or the railroads were shown the largest line of gents' themselves. Thus, if a commission is paid and the commission if used to cut the regroad will be guilty of a violation of the law unless it reduces its regular rates cor-respondingly. This will surely end the occupation of scalpers and others engaged in the sale of railroad tickets, as railroads could not afford under the circumstances to sell them tickets at reduced rates or pay ing to disqualify Searle and Mattison for commissions. The first prize was £800.

excuse was that they had to do it because

journed that its members might hear the wholesome advice which no one doubted would be freely given by the venerable chairman of the Commission. It was evident that when Judge Cooley entered the Terrible Explosion of Dust in a room that he was "loaded for bear" and there was a feeling prevalent that he would bring down the game. When he took the floor he kep! it for about an hour and it is a safe thing to say that never since the Inter-State Commission began its existence have the railroads had the law laid down to them in such forcible terms He confined his remarks to the passenger rate business and addressed the roads west and northwest of Chicago, condemning the practice of some of the general passenger agents in placing blocks of tickets in the hands of ticket brokers to be sold at rates below those charged over their own counters. This, he said, was a CHICAGO. Dec. 12 .- Not since the Inter- discrimination against that portion of the State Commerce law was passed has an public which procured its tickets from the investigation by the Commissioners re- regular agents of the roads in question of people badly bruised and shaken up

The Inter-State Commission, the Judge that nearly all the through passenger traffic stop the abuses which had arisen from the a radius of six blocks was smashed. encouragement given to scalpers by passenger agents. Evidence was not wanting that such abuses had been carried to excess in Chicago and elsewhere. The ablaze in a few minutes. The fire spread railroad officials who were examined were and the traveler who patronised the first fire companies reached the scene they broker's office instead of purchasing his found a block of roaring flames to contend ticket from the authorized ticket agent with. A general alarm was at once saved money; this was contrary to law and it had to be stopped. The roads were advised to make none but open rates and they were given to understand that if firemen had all they could do to prevent they refused to heed this advice the law haif a dozen serious conflagrations. The would be strictly enforced whenever a streets were filled with debris for a block violation was detected.

The Judge explained the construction to be placed upon the provisions of the law their work. in regard to discrimination, and intimated that in future no excuse would be accepted for an infringement of its provisons. marked attention, and immediately after

The remarks were listened to with the adjournment of the meeting the general pissenger agents convened in the same room with J. M. Abbot in the chair. days' notice for the re-establishment of

A Papal Sensation. ROME, Dec. 12.-A sensation has been caused by the Pope's refusal to bless medals and reliquaries sent to Rome by Irish priests, who intended them for distribution in Ireland. The Pope sternly said: "I can not bless them. The people

of Ireland are disobetient. They seem to prefer the gospel of Dillon and O'Brien to ne Gospel of Jesus Christ." BRISBANE, Dec. 12.-In the four days' sculling contest here Searle had an easy victory. Beach did not compete in the final heat, owing to the committee refus-

Determined on Sulcide. ner, a young man who came here in the street. Charles Bleu rushed into the build-summer from Kansas City, yesterday made a second attempt at suicide by taking morphine. The first attempt was trips into the burning house. Murphy was made about two weeks ago. He alleges as a cause the infidelity of his wife, who is at out of the house. Bleu was badly scorched. The immates of Henge's boarding house here, and in search of whom he first came to Wichits. He avers that if his wife does and his wife who maide northood and carried out the dwelling of John R. King was burned and King, his wife and six children were dead. It is believed the family were murdered and the house fired to conceal the crime.

Benator M. C. Butler has been re-elected by the South Carolins Legislature to the United States Senate as his own.

OATMEAL DUST.

Chicago Mill-Three Men Killed.

Several Fatally or Seriously Injured-Buildings Shattered and Set on Fire.

The Shock Felt a Mile Away-Searching the Ruins For Missing Men-Damage, \$150,000.

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.-Three men were sion killed, one fatally injured and a number and was a clear vio ation of the Inter-State early this morning by an explosion of law. It was a pernicious practice; it ben- meal dust which completely wrecked the the boiler. now being made in this city by Chairman efited nobody in the long run; it kept three-story brick building on North Halrates in a demoralized condition and stead street occupied by David Oliver as brought on wars which were always dis- an oatmeal mill Several adjoining build-

ings were also badly shattered. The explosion which occurred shortly vict nearly every road centering in this said, had heretofore dealt leniently with after two o'clock was a terrific one, the the railroads, giving them time to adapt shock being felt a mile away. The buildtheir tariffs to the requirements of the ings in the immediate vicinity were bomlaw, but the time had come when heroic barded with flying bricks and timbers and measures must be taken, if necessary, to nearly every pane of window glass within Almost before the rumble of the explo-

sion died away flames sprang up from the wrecked mill and the whole place was turned in. Sparks were carried through the air by the wind and ignited buildings two blocks away and for half an hour the on every side of the burned patch, and this seriously obstructed the firemen in

Hundreds of men searched anxiously for the missing millers, and after some time one of them, John Holmes, was found lying in an alley across the street from the mill, terribly burned and lacerated. He was working in the second story of the mill when the explosion occurred, and was hurled through a window and across with Miss Whipps, wi h whom, it is said, the street. He can not live. he was contemplating marriage during the the street. He can not live.

their bodies are buried in the debris. Peo-Persons who were as leep in the build-

ings adjacent to the wrecked mill were

thrown clear out of their beds by the force Charles Murphy occupied rooms over the prised that no one met her at the saloon at the corner of Fulton and Halstead She will start for Chicago this week. streets. Within were his family, consisting of his wife, two children and mother. The force of the concussion rocked the house from side to side and all members of Murphy's family were thrown violently from their beds upon the floor or against the walls. Within an instant the house was enveloped in flamer and the cries of WICHITA, Kan., Dec. 12.—Charles War- the occupants reached the people on the ner, a young man who came here in the street. Charles Bleu rushed into the build-

from the shattered buillings with great difficulty, several of them being badly and all losing their personal

The losses will aggregate about \$150,000. The loss on the mill is about \$75,000. Jacob Press, owner of the planing mill, loses about \$50,000 and it is estimated that the

other losses will be \$25,000.

A battalion of twenty firemen and over ten volunteers are at work clearing away the ruins. Ernest Casper, one of three known to be dead, was working in the cupols at the time of the explosion. The cupola was lifted almost entire and thrown a distance of sixty feet to the

south side of the street. John Christian, the kiln man, is the second known victim. His body has not been found and he may have been blown some distance by the force of the explo-

Charles Miller, the engineer, is also buried under the mass of debris, and it is thought that his body will be found near

About 10:30 the excavating party discovered the body of a man which was supposed to be that of Engineer Miller. The rpse was found on the north driveway of the mill and was covered with about three feet of debris. The lower part of the body was covered with bruises and burns, and the face was mangled so that it could not be recognized. The unfortunate man had evidently been blown from the

engine room clear to the driveway. The boilers have been uncovered and are intact, which di poses of the theory that they had exploded. The police say there is no evidence of the use of dynabetween local points were fully substanted. Not one of the large number of markets were flooded with cheap tickets with incredible rapidity and when the mite, and it is now considered certain that tiated. Not one of the large number of markets were flooded with cheap tickets with incredible rapidity and when the mite, and it is now considered certain that tiated. Not one of the large number of markets were flooded with cheap tickets with incredible rapidity and when the mite, and it is now considered certain that tiated. Not one of the large number of markets were flooded with cheap tickets with incredible rapidity and when the mite, and it is now considered certain that the mite and the mite of the large number of markets were flooded with cheap tickets with incredible rapidity and when the mite, and it is now considered certain that the mite of the large number of markets were flooded with cheap tickets.

Wichita, Kan., Dec. 11.-The farmer's convention met at eleven this morning in the Board of Trade rooms with four to five hundred delegates present. Hon. G. W. Clement made a short address of welcome | Special Cuts Before the Holidays in and the convention then proceeded to business by electing Daniel Winters, of Kiowa County, temporary chairman. After the appointment of committees on organization, order of business and resolutions the convention adjourned until

A Lover's Suicide.

GARNETT, Kan., Dec. 11.—Sunday even-ing Edward Clampet, age twenty-one, living west of here, attended church here No trace could be found of the other holidays. After arriving home and caring for his team, he went to his room, removed three men-Charles Miller, Charles Cooper for his team, he went to his room, removed and John Smith-and it is believed that his Sunday clothing, drew on a pair of overalls, and took off one shoe and stockple living in the v cinity are sure that ing. Then placing the muzzle of a shot-more bodies will be found when the debris gun against his side, he pulled the trigger with his toe, discharging the load into his

Actress and Anarchist. NEW YORK, Dec. 11.-Among the arrivals of the explosion and most of them were on the Aurania yesterday was Minnie more or less injured during the terrific Palmer, actress, and Anarchist Lucy bombardment of bricks and other debris. Parsons, of Chicago. The latter was sur-

Matricide Hanged, bury Hawkins was hanged this morning at 8:35% o'clock. He murdered his mother Mrs. Cynthia Hawkins, on the Wellwood road, October 2, 1887.

A Terrible Tragedy.

Mr. PLEASANT. Tex., Dec. 12.—News was received from Cookville last night that the

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